TOWN MEETING

A Personal Message from U.S. Senators Bob Bennett and Orrin Hatch

We want to invite you and your family to attend a town meeting on the **new Medicare prescription drug program** that we will be holding in your area. We are pleased that Dr. Mark McClellan, senior Bush administration official and administrator for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), has agreed to join us in explaining the benefits of this new program.

For the first time, Medicare beneficiaries now have the ability to receive discounts on their prescription drugs through Medicare. The new drug card program offers beneficiaries a wide range of choices so they can select the best coverage to fit their needs.

But making these choices can be complicated. That is why we want to meet with you personally to address your questions so that you and your loved ones can make the right selection. Representatives from CMS will walk you through the enrollment process step by step, and other senior citizen organizations will also be available to help you understand this new program. We will also discuss the new prescription drug benefit that will start in 2006. To get the most from this meeting, you should bring your Medicare identification number, the names of the drugs you are taking, and the dosage for each drug. Additional income information may be needed to determine eligibility for the \$600 low-income credit.

Medicare beneficiaries are now receiving much-needed help with their prescription drugs. This is a tremendous step forward, but we realize there is a lot of new information to process. We hope to see you at our town meeting to help you make the most of this new benefit.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Orrin G. Hatch United States Senator Robert F. Bennett United States Senator

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Prescription Drug Discount Card Town Meeting

Date: Friday, June 18, 2004

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Salt Lake Community College

Larry H. Miller Campus 9750 South 300 West

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